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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois  
(September 12, 1960)

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ELIAS STEIN  
INTERNAL SECURITY - PO

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable  
information in the past, learned that [REDACTED]  
Elias Stein, 5424 South Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, [REDACTED]

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According to the source, Stein [REDACTED]

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AIR MAIL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO [REDACTED] (100-21057)

ELIAS STEIN

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Enclosed herewith are five copies for the Bureau of a letterhead memorandum dated as above and bearing the name of individual captioned above.

The source referred to in the attached letterhead memorandum is a highly confidential source (documentation - anonymous).

Enclosed letterhead memorandum is being classified confidential because it tends to reveal the Bureau's investigative interest [REDACTED]

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A review of the files of the Chicago office failed to disclose that ELIAS STEIN has ever been the subject of a security investigation of the Chicago office, however, Chicago files do contain the following information concerning ELIAS STEIN, who is possibly identical with the subject:

Bureau memorandum to Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), dated 10/27/54, bearing the caption, [REDACTED] ELIAS STEIN, [REDACTED] with copies designated for Chicago, reveals that an anonymous letter

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was directed to the Director, FBI on 10/11/54, which listed ELIAS STEIN, home address 314 West 100th Street, New York City, as being one of several concealed Communist Party (CP) members whom the writer had known while a student at the University of Chicago between 1948 and 1953 (CG 100-29863-1).

New York letter to Director 11/19/54, bearing the caption,  ELIAS STEIN, SM - C," reflects that investigation conducted by the New York office in 11/54 disclosed that a STEIN family, residing at 314 West 100th Street, New York City, had a son named ELIAS, who was then studying for a doctor's degree at the University of Chicago and who was residing at 5555 Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago (CG 100-29863-3).

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During 1956, INS, Chicago, advised the Chicago office that they were investigating ELIAS STEIN, 5555 Woodlawn Avenue, a student at the University of Chicago. This INS investigation was predicated on the allegations contained in the above mentioned anonymous letter which the Bureau had disseminated to INS in 10/54 (CG 100-0-7166).

#### LEADS

##### AT WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

Will check US Department of State passport records for background information on ELIAS STEIN.

##### CHICAGO

##### AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Will contact INS to obtain results of investigation conducted by that agency.



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SAC, CHICAGO [redacted]

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ELIAS STEIN  
[redacted]

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Re Chicago airtel to the Bureau dated 9/12/60.

On October 3, 1960, inquiry at Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Chicago, for information concerning subject was negative with the exception of a single reference number C6-995-401. INS, Chicago, advised that file number C6-995-401 "should be" located at INS, Washington, D. C.

Washington Field is requested to review records of INS, Washington, D. C., for information identifiable with subject and furnish to Chicago.

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CHANGED:

ELIAS MENACHEM STEIN

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ReCGairtels dated 9/12/60 and 10/11/60, captioned  
"ELIAS STEIN, [redacted]"

Title is marked "Changed" to include middle name  
reflected in subject's passport file.

Enclosed for the Chicago Office are six photos  
and one negative of the subject, received from the Passport  
Office, U. S. Department of State, on 10/26/60.

Subject's file at the Passport Office was reviewed  
on 10/14/60 and it was noted that subject made application  
on 4/24/59 at Chicago, Illinois, for a passport to make a  
two-month trip to Israel, Italy, France, Switzerland, Belgium,  
and Great Britain for pleasure, and indicated that he would  
leave from New York City on 6/10/59 via El Al Airlines. He  
listed his permanent residence as 5300 South Hyde Park  
Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, and the following background  
data:

Born: 1/31/31 at Antwerp, Belgium.  
Immigrated to United States  
in 1945 and has continuously  
resided in United States 1941  
to present (1959).

Parents: ELKAN STEIN, Father; Born  
7/9/99 in Poland.  
CHANNAD STEIN, Mother; Born  
5/3/00 in Poland. Both parents  
reside at 314 W. 100th Street,  
New York City.

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Height:	5 feet 11 inches
Eyes:	Brown
Hair:	Brown
Marked:	None
Occupation:	Professor of Mathematics

Subject was issued passport #1402676 by the Chicago Passport Agency, Department of State, on 4/24/59, and no additional pertinent information was noted in his file.

WFO will report results of review of subject's file at the Central Office, Immigration and Naturalization Service, when that file is made available for review.

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SAC, CHICAGO [redacted]

ELIAS STEIN  
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Re Chicago letter to the Bureau dated 10/11/60, and  
New York letter to the Bureau dated 11/19/54, captioned [redacted]  
[redacted] ELIAS STEIN, [redacted]

For the information of New York, it was learned  
from a highly confidential source [redacted]

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For the information of Washington Field to assist in  
checking Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) records  
as requested in referenced Chicago letter dated October 11, 1960,  
it has been determined that ELIAS STEIN's INS file number is  
A10-410-005.

New York is requested to again check their files  
regarding ELIAS STEIN and to discreetly obtain as complete  
background information as possible re STEIN and his parents,  
E. STEIN, who resided at 314 West 100th Street, New York City,  
in November, 1954. It is also requested that New York determine  
if ELIAS STEIN [redacted] who is identified  
in Chicago file 100-28840-10 in a newspaper article dated  
May 6, 1954, as an [redacted]  
Chicago from New York who [redacted]

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SAC, CHICAGO [redacted]

ELIAS MENACHEM STEIN  
[redacted]

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Re Washington Field letter to the Bureau dated  
10/27/60 and Chicago letter to the Bureau dated 11/1/60.

On 11/14/60 [redacted]

[redacted] (protect identity--  
describe as a source who has furnished reliable information  
in the past), [redacted]  
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Washington Field Office and New York are requested to expedite leads outstanding in those divisions concerning this matter so that a determination may be made by Chicago as to subject being interviewed under the Visitors to Poland Program, WITH BUREAU AUTHORITY.

DIRECTOR, FBI [redacted]

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SAC, WFO [redacted]

ELIAS MENACHEM STEIN  
[redacted]

(OO: CHICAGO)

Re: FOlet to Director, 10/27/60; CClet to Director,  
12/19/60, both captioned as above.

On 1/27/61, Central Office, Immigration and  
Naturalization Service, Washington, D. C., made available  
the INS "Confidential File" on captioned subject. The  
following material was obtained from this file.

An undated INS memorandum, prepared for the file,  
reflects subject's family to consist of:

Father: ELIJAH STEIN  
Born 7/9/88 in Poland  
Mother: CHANA STEIN  
Born 5/9/00 in Poland

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An Alien Registration Form, dated 5/15/45, reflects  
subject arrived in the United States during April, 1940  
aboard the "SS Lyassa."

A Statement of Facts, dated 3/24/52, reflects his  
father to be ELKAN STEIN and his mother to be CHANNA STEIN.

Petition for Naturalization No. 607087, undated, CONSOLIDATED  
and addressed to the U. S. District Court, Southern District  
of New York, reflects ELIAS MENACHEM STEIN, 314 W 100th  
Street, New York City, was born 1/13/31 at Antwerp, Belgium.  
Date 4/3/72  
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His last place of foreign residence was shown as Marseilles, France, and he entered the United States at Rouses Point, New York, under the name ELIAS STEIN on 11/11/45. His Alien Registration number was shown as A 7 595 288.

The witnesses to this petition were [redacted]

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[redacted] witnesses claimed [redacted]

[redacted] and stated he had resided continuously in the United States since 6/21/51. [redacted] further stated subject was not absent from the United States since 1947. Witness [redacted] reported that subject was absent from the United States on three occasions, not to exceed six weeks on each occasion.

Subject was naturalized before USDC, SDNY, 4/23/62, and was issued Certificate of Naturalization No. 6355401.

Miscellaneous correspondence in the file, which does not appear to be complete, reflects subject entered the U. S. with his family in 1941. Subject, upon reaching the age of 14 years, did not appear at the INS Office to complete certain forms. Subsequent material in the file indicates INS, therefore, considered subject in the country illegally and was considering deportation proceedings against subject. This may account for the entry of subject at Rouses Point, New York, on 11/11/45. (Information contained in the above paragraph should not be incorporated into correspondence prepared for dissemination as the INS file was vague and appeared to be incomplete concerning the deportation proceedings and re-entry.)

Subject was under investigation by INS for the purpose of revocation of naturalization. Investigation was based on an anonymous letter to the Director of the FBI, dated 10/11/54. INS investigation failed to substantiate the allegations that subject was or had been a member of the Communist Party.

(Chicago's attention is directed to the report of SA [redacted] 2/28/66 at Chicago, captioned [redacted] Intelligence Research Specialist, Division of Research for Western Europe, Department of State, WDC - SGE.)

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On 6/4/58, ELIAS M. STEIN was interviewed by INS officials at Boston, Mass. At this time, he resided at 15-17 James Street, Brookline, Mass., and was employed as an instructor in mathematics and conducted research at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and had been so employed since 1956.

During the course of this interview, subject explained the functions of the various groups to which he belonged while a student at the University of Chicago. Subject denied, at this time, membership in the Communist Party.

Various documents in the INS file contained info as follows pertaining to subject's education, employment, and residences:

EDUCATION

2/49-6/49:	City College, New York City
1949-1951:	University of Chicago
1951-1952:	Columbia University
1952-1956:	University of Chicago

Subject has received following degrees:  
Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science,  
and Doctor of Philosophy.

EMPLOYMENT

1956-1958:	Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass. (Instructor)
9/27/49- 12/16/55:	University of Chicago (Student)

RESIDENCES

1956:	15-17 James Street Brookline, Mass.
1957:	1212 Mass. Avenue Cambridge, Mass.

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1952: 314 W. 100th Street  
New York City  
1951: 1005 E. 60th Street  
Chicago, Illinois

No descriptive data or photographs were secured from this file as they are of doubtful value as available material pertained to period when subject was a teen-ager.